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DANGER OF FOREST FIRES

The danger of forest fires is unusually great this year, owing to the rank growth of grass in the mountains and foothills, due to the heavy snows and rains of last winter. This grass has become dry during the past two or three months of little rain and is highly inflammable. A fire once started in it is hard to check, especially if there be wind.

The laws of the Forest Service make it a misdemeanor to start, at this time of year, a fire even on one's own land, for the purpose of destroying brush or debris, save by the written consent of the Forest officers. Camp fires are excepted, but these must be extinguished before leaving, by the persons starting them. Any willful setting of fire, or allowing fire to spread through carelessness, is punishable by fine or imprisonment or by both in the discretion of the court trying the case.

The recent disastrous fires in the Jemez and Carson National Forests were the result, no doubt, of care-

lessness on the part of ranchers or campers, or perhaps sheep herders, who carelessly threw the lighted stub of a cigarette or cigar in the grass or underbrush. Or it is possible a spark from a passing railroad train started the conflagration. At any rate such fires cost not only the Forest Service but the rancher and stockman thousands of dollars yearly in this territory.

In the past forest fires were often set deliberately by sheep herders, with the object of improving grazing the following year. The destruction of forests from this cause has amounted to many millions of dollars in lumber value, and great permanent loss to the territory from the barring of mountain slopes and resultant increase of floods of water supply in summer and fall.

Fires from this source are now far less common, owing in part to the creation and policing of forest reserves by the federal government, and restriction of grazing in these areas.

It is the duty of every resident of New Mexico not only to carefully observe the forest laws, but to help in their enforcement against any and all violators. The future welfare and prosperity of New Mexico depends largely upon the conservation of the forests, which is vital to irrigation and protection against floods.

Residents on Sixth street would be extremely thankful if the street car company would send that old "flat" wheel on the car traversing this part of the electric line to the scrap heap. Its awful racket is more than enough to unnerve the residents of this section of the city, who have to put up with its incessant clanging. It has been this way for many, many months.

Mrs. Thomas J. Pridemore and children stopped off here between traps this afternoon, enroute from Timpas, Colo., to Arizona. Mrs. Pridemore was formerly Miss Mary McElroy and resided with her mother and brothers in Las Vegas for many years.

OPTICS

Did it ever occur to you that ice is a luxury which never lasts?

An Oklahoma judge is suing for a divorce from his wife, which prompts the question is he competent to sit in the case?

Mark Twain has brought suit against his former private secretary for the recovery of \$4,000. But this is no joke.

Las Vegas has a policeman who must be seeking trouble. He has taken to umpiring baseball games during his idle moments.

A Washington dispatch says there is a lull in society in the national capital. So there is in Las Vegas, hence it must be fashionable.

Italians in Newark, N. J., blew up a Catholic church in that city a few days ago. This was perhaps an uplift the congregation was not looking for.

A Spaniard named Guipone won the international cup race for light motor cars the other day, which shows that the Spaniards are better at racing than fighting.

The club women of Massachusetts are fighting against the movement to lower the milk standard in that state. No danger of such an upheaval here, as there isn't such a thing as a milk standard.

"An aged Missouri woman," says the Kansas City Star, "took her first ride a few days ago on a railroad train and became hysterical when she entered the Union depot." That is not surprising to any one who has ever been in Kansas City's railway passenger station.

The announcement from Pittsburgh that Mrs. Laura Bigger Bennett, the former actress, will return to the stage and forsake the editorial sanctum forever, is not a surprise. We presumed when she established the Albuquerque Sun it was for a respite from the footlights and to find a

means of disposing of her fortune. No doubt she succeeded in turning loose of a few thousand dollars with perfect ease.

A member of the medical faculty of Washington university at St. Louis committed suicide to relieve him from imaginary pains. He must have been hard up for something to do during the summer vacation. Maybe he had been reading about the Gould divorce case.

WITNESSED KILLING OF HELPLESS GIRL

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abouts of Ling. All they know is he was in the room when the murder was committed on June 10. From that time all trace of him has been lost save for a possibility that he was in Washington on the 11th or 12th, but the detectives do not regard the fact that a telegram sent from there signed Elsie is conclusive that Ling was there, too. The police believe Ling may have gone west to the coast to take a boat for China. They also believe he may be in New York. Ling belonged to at least one powerful Chinese secret society and would have no trouble in getting funds to escape. The news that something happened to Elsie Sigel was whispered about the Chinese quarters before the discovery of the murder. The district attorney's office believes Ling may be hiding in the guise of a woman in the Chinese quarter, as he gained admission to this country as an actor under the immigration law. He is a female impersonator. The police of southern cities have been asked to look out for him.

Another Suspect Arrested

Johnstown, Pa., June 23. — A Chinaman was arrested this morning at Windber, Pa., on suspicion of being Leon Ling, the much wanted murderer of Elsie Sigel. He answers the description of the fugitive, but denies he is Ling. He arrived at Windber last night. It was at first reported he had made a confession, but this was denied by the officers.

Manuel Valdez, lately of Springer, Mrs. F. E. Valdez and a sister have returned to Las Vegas from a visit to Santa Fe attractions.

Watch Specials

A few specials which we are offering for a short time at SPOT CASH ONLY.

Gents' Gold Filled Case guaranteed 20 years, fitted with a 17 jeweled, ELGIN or WALTHAM movement.....\$12.50

Gents' Silveroid Case, with a 7 jewel ELGIN or WALTHAM.....\$5.50

Ladies' Gold Filled Case, guaranteed with either ELGIN or WALTHAM movement.....\$12.15

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MARKET REPORTS.

St. Louis Metal Market.

St. Louis, June 23.—Lead \$4.27½; spelter \$5.37½@40.

New York Metal Market.

New York, June 23.—Lead \$4.35 @ 45; copper 13 1-4@5-8; silver 52½.

New York Money.

New York, June 23.—Prime mercantile paper 3¼@4; Mexican dollars 44; call money 1¼@2.

New York Stock.

New York, June 23.—Amalgamated \$0 5-8; Atchison 1.15½, pfd 1.04 7-8; New York Central 1.32½; Southern Pacific 1.29½; Union Pacific 1.91 3-4; Steel 66 3-4, pfd 1.23 3-8.

St. Louis Wool Market.

St. Louis, June 23.—Wool market steady. Territory western medium 24 @23; fine mediums 21@24; fine 15 @ 22.

Chicago Provisions Market.

Chicago, June 23.—Close—Wheat, July 1.13 1-4, Sept. 1.07½@3-4; corn, July 70½, Sept. 68½; oats, July 50½.

Sept. 43; pork, July 18.82½, Sept. 20.02½; lard, July 11.65, Sept. 11.72½ @75; ribs, July 10.90, Sept. 10.87½.

Chicago Stock Market.

Chicago, June 23.—Cattle 15,000 head; market steady. Beefers \$5.15 @ 7.25; Texas steers \$4.60 @ 6.15; western steers \$4.75 @ 6.25; stockers and feeders \$3.60 @ 5.50; cows and heifers \$2.40 @ 6.35; calves \$5.50 @ 7.75.

Sheep—15,000 head; market weak. Native \$3.50 @ 5.85; western \$3.75 @ 5.75; yearlings \$6.00 @ 7.00; lambs \$5.50 @ 8.00; western \$5.50 @ 8.00; spring lambs \$5.50 @ 5.75.

Kansas City Stock.

Kansas City, June 23.—Cattle 7,000 head, including 1,000 southern; market strong and active. Native steers \$5.25 @ 7.00; southern steers \$4.00 @ 6.00; southern cows \$2.75 @ 4.80; native cows and heifers \$2.75 @ 7.65; stockers and feeders \$3.50 @ 5.50; bulls \$3.00 @ 5.00; calves \$4.00 @ 7.00; western steers \$4.75 @ 7.00; western cows \$3.25 @ 6.75.

Sheep—7,000 head; market steady. Muttons \$4.50 @ 5.50; lambs \$6.50 @ 8.50; range wethers \$4.50 @ 5.50; range ewes \$3.75 @ 5.25.

White Linen Skirts

Economy linen 9 gore, some buttoned front, value \$2.00. Special,.... \$1.35

One lot White Linen Skirts 2 bias, folds at bottom, trimmed in buttons, \$2.50. Special, \$1.90

Suede Lisle Gloves

Women's 12 button Gloves, white and cream, regular 75c. Special,.... 49c

35c Women's short cotton Gloves.....25c

65c Women's Lace Lisle Hose (Lord & Taylors.) Special, 48c

Women's & Children's Footwear

Ties, Pumps, Oxfords in Tans, Vici-kid, Patent leathers, \$3.00, \$3.50, \$3.75. Special,.....\$1.99

CHILDREN'S Sandals, Ties, Vici-kid and Patent; sizes 5; Children's to Misses' 1. Special,.....\$1.00

Men's Shoes and Oxfords

In Black Vici or Patent, Tan, Oxfords, \$4.00 values. Special,.....\$2.98

Men's Shirts

Negligee and Golf, plain colors or fancy striped or checked, all sizes—some Pleated, Cuffs attached or detached; these are fine values and if you want a bargain don't miss this.

Values are \$1.25, \$1.50 and \$1.75. Special,.....\$1.00

35c Men's Balbriggan Underwear.....24c

35c Men's Silk Lisle Hose.....20c

\$5.00 Boys' Suits, new, with 2 pair Knickerbocker pants.....\$3.65



The WORLD of WHITE

Special Sale of Women's Muslin Undergarments

WE open up our Sale with Cut Prices on Muslin Underwear, from our regular stock. The stock is large and well selected, the choosing is ample—the garments are of the best; the prices are way below values. A shipment received only a few days ago will be included in this sale—late styles in trimming, new designs in embroideries and laces. The following prices will give you an idea of the values we are offering:—

Lawns at About Cost.

The continued cold weather is the cause of our offering Seasonable merchandise at such low prices.

The radical cut on these Lawns should bring a host of buyers. The best will be picked over first, so do not tarry.

The Sale includes the entire stock white, colored, figured, striped, flowered:—

35c Lawns.....24c	12 1-2c Lawns.....10c
25c ".....19c	10c ".....7c
20c ".....14c	8 1-3c ".....6c
15c ".....11c	One lot ".....5c yd.

Colored Economy Linen

Better than linen because it does not wrinkle—Key and Grecian, border and stripe. Regular value 25c yard. Special,.... 14c

Ginghams

A large assortment including wide and narrow stripes, small and large checks, Red, Blue, Brown, Tan, Lavender. Regular 12 1-2c value. Special, 81-3c

Corset Covers

Neat designs, beautifully trimmed in new laces or embroideries.

\$.50 Corset Covers.....	38c
.75 " ".....	57c
1.00 " ".....	75c
1.25 " ".....	94c
1.50 " ".....	\$1.13
1.75 " ".....	1.32

Drawers

A large assortment, well selected stock, lace and embroidery trimmed.

\$.35 Drawers.....	49c
1.00 " ".....	75c
1.50 " ".....	\$1.13
2.00 " ".....	1.50
2.50 " ".....	1.89

Petticoats

New lot just received. New trimmings in laces and embroideries. The best quality garments we have ever shown. No loose threads; no seams ripping; laces and trimmings well sewed.

\$1.50 Petticoats.....	\$1.13
1.75 ".....	1.32
2.00 ".....	1.50
2.25 ".....	1.69
2.50 ".....	1.88
3.00 ".....	2.25
3.50 ".....	2.63
4.00 ".....	3.00
5.00 ".....	3.75
5.00 ".....	4.50
9.00 ".....	6.75

The Extra Good Values in

Women's Vests

\$1.75 Women's Swiss Ribbed Silk Vests.....\$1.39
\$1.00 Lisle Vests, Hand Crochet.....89c
75c Swiss Ribbed Silk Lisle.....59c

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